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NCNA (FEB. 6) REPORTED THE BRITISH ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE AGREEMENT TO EXPAND U.S. FACILITIES ON DIEGO GARCIA. IT COMMENTED THAT THE ISLAND WOULD SOON BECOME AN IMPORTANT U.S. NAVAL AND AIR BASE AND THAT THE ANNOUNCEMENT SIGNIFIES THAT THE TWO SUPERPOWERS, THE U.S. AND THE SOVIET UNION, "ARE STEPPING UP THEIR EXPANSION INTO THE INDIAN OCEAN AND INTENSIFYING THEIR RIVALRY IN THIS REGION." IT NOTED THAT THESE ACTIONS IGNORE THE "STRONG DEMAND OF A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES IN THIS REGION THAT THE INDIAN OCEAN BE DECLARED A PEACE ZONE." PEKING OFFERS NO CRITICISM OF ITS OWN IN THE REPORT AND EMPHASIZES BY QUOTES OF U.S. OFFICIALS THAT THE STEP WAS TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO SOVIET MOVES.

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